

1833

1918

**Boston Children's**  

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**Friend Society**

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**EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT**

## FORM OF BEQUEST

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I do hereby give and bequeath to the Boston Children's Friend Society, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the sum of .....dollars, the same to be applied to the general uses and purposes of said Society, under the direction of its Board of Directors (or, the same to be added to the permanent funds of said Society, only the income thereof to be applied to the general uses and purposes of said Society, under the direction of its Board of Directors), and do hereby direct that the receipt of the treasurer for the time being of said Society shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors for the same.

REPORT  
OF  
THE EIGHTY-FIFTH YEAR  
OF THE  
BOSTON CHILDREN'S FRIEND  
SOCIETY

Ending October 31, 1918

THE FIRST PRINTED REPORT SINCE 1916

FOUNDED 1833

INCORPORATED 1834

OFFICE OF THE SOCIETY  
48 RUTLAND STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

# OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 1918

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| Mrs. CHARLES I. THAYER.    | Mrs. JAMES OWEN FOSS.   |

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| GEORGE G. QUINCY. | BENJAMIN C. LANE. |
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MINOT F. DAVIS, M. D., 15 Charles Street.

J. R. MACKINNON, D. D. S., 16 Arlington Street.

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ANNA G. RICHARDSON, M. D., 483 Beacon Street.

C. M. THOMAS, D. D. S., 419 Boylston Street.

LOUISA P. TINGLEY, M. D., 9 Massachusetts Avenue.

## STAFF FOR 1918

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### General Secretary

Miss FANNIE E. BARNES.

### Department of Advice and Assistance.

Mrs. CLAIBORNE CATLIN.

Miss MARJORIE W. FERGUSON

### Placing-Out Department

Miss AGNES A. ALEXANDER.

Miss CHRISTINE McLEOD

Mrs. MARY E. WARNER.

### Bookkeeper and Office Director

Miss HETTIE C. WILSON.

### Stenographer

Miss MYRTLE L. NOYES.



# OBJECT AND METHODS

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## To make Constructive, Friendly Solutions of Children's Problems.

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- I. By careful and sympathetic study of the conditions in the child's home in the effort to remove the trouble, and not remove the child.
- II. To provide, when necessary, permanent foster homes which meet the child's need of health, education and happiness.
- III. To temporarily receive children for medical treatment, or when homes are broken up through illness of parents or other domestic causes.

A limited number of babies received.

Plans are made for older boys and girls and aid and supervision given through high school and vocational periods.

Special attention given during the summer to building up delicate children of school age.

Girls up to twenty-one, and boys to fourteen years, under probation of the Juvenile Court, are placed in families and supervised by the society.

Parents are expected to aid, when possible, in the support of their children; and families are re-united as soon as practicable.

The cost of board and clothing is regulated by the cost of living.

The society is non-sectarian, and is supported entirely by voluntary contributions.

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Communications should be addressed to Boston Children's Friend Society, 48 Rutland Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Applications at the office should be made between 9 A. M. and 5 P. M. on week days; Saturday, 9 A. M. to 1 P. M.

See page 24 for Community Plan.

See page 23 for Territory covered by the Society.

## REPORT OF THE CLERK FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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This year marks the 85th anniversary of the Boston Children's Friend Society, the oldest child helping organization in the State caring for both boys and girls.

The war created many applications for our help, adding materially to the financial strain, but by the aid of kind friends the expenses have been met.

Our usual large bazaar was omitted, but with Mrs. J. Converse Gray, as chairman, a sale of partly-worn clothing was arranged in our rooms at 48 Rutland Street, which realized \$1000. Later, a sale of fancy articles was held conducted by Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Thayer from which \$642 was received.

By a gift of \$1000, the Permanent Charity Fund evidenced its recognition of the value of the work this society is accomplishing and the community need it is meeting. We are very grateful for a bequest of \$1000 under the will of Mr. E. B. Badger.

There is much satisfaction in noting the way in which the society is, not only caring for its own children, but is working in connection with other organizations in planning to deal with cases of unfortunate children throughout the State.

We look with pride upon our service flag, presented by Mr. J. Converse Gray, and raised at our office 48 Rutland Street, Boston. This flag carries twenty-three stars, representing nineteen boys and four girls, who, with courage and devotion, are serving the country in army, navy and hospitals.

The society considers itself very fortunate in having secured the services of Miss Fannie E. Barnes, as general secretary. Her large experience, her proven ability, her devotion to the work well fitted her for the responsible position.

During the year, one of our honored ex-presidents Mrs. Jonathan A. Lane has passed away, leaving us a noble example of faithfulness and sustained interest. Another valued member of the board, Mrs. John Albee, died in June, 1917.

The A. M. Davis Co. remembered us with a splendid gift of Christmas cards, and to all the friends who have donated money and clothing we wish to record our thanks and appreciation.

The generosity of our consulting physicians and dentists cannot be too warmly praised. We are deeply indebted to them, and also to the physicians and psychiatrists of Boston hospitals for their expert advice and service.

Adelaide A. Thomas,  
*Clerk.*



# REPORT OF GENERAL SECRETARY

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Even one who has given casual attention to children's problems must realize the last two or three years have been of great significance to the child; this has been impressed in America through the child welfare programs issued by the Federal Council of National Defense and the Federal Children's Bureau. Perhaps not in nineteen hundred years has the symbol of the child held so graphic a place in world consciousness. Nations are learning that they cannot keep their honor and supremacy and be unjust to little children. New values will be set upon child nurture and development. New measures will be taken for his happiness and efficiency. But we cannot foresee that his elemental need of a mother and a home will ever change.

**Increase** Through a difficult year of many demands this society, whose chief function is home finding, has maintained its uniform order of work and provided for its increase. No report has been printed since that of 1916, when 317 families and 553 children were dealt with. In 1917, our families numbered 406 and children 630. In 1918, 455 families have made application for advice and assistance, involving the problems of 701 children. Only 89 of these families were ever known to us before.

**New Children Placed** Eighty-eight new children were transferred to the Placing-Out Department, and eighty-six placed in foster homes. This number, with the 214 children in our foster homes and under supervision at the close of 1917, has kept our visitors in close association with 300 children.

**Average High** Our average in the Placing-Out Department through the year has been 190 children, the highest in the month of August, 204, the lowest in June, 173, when discharges were frequent. In the cases of 153 children, advice was given, followed by constructive work and supervision.

**Causes for Application** The most dominant causes for application were medical and domestic. Our records show 30 per cent. of our new work was caused by illness and death of parents. The death of fathers and mothers by tuberculosis was about 22 per cent. each; the death of mothers by childbirth 38 per cent. This was augmented rapidly the last two months by influenza, when applications for motherless children increased. Our second highest factor was neglect; briefly, the cause, fathers away from home, and mothers seeking work. It is interesting to note that alcoholism and delinquency show a marked decrease, each  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. Illegitimacy dropped from

14 per cent. in 1917 to 5½ per cent. May this not be some proof of the value of wartime prohibition and the careful work of the Massachusetts Committees of the National Council for Defense.

**Babies** We close the year with 197 children. Of these, 15 are babies. We were asked to take 165 infants. It is only within a few years that we have accepted children under 2 years, and we must limit the number or increase our equipment for this important service.

**Delicate Children** For some years we have made special effort through the summer to build up delicate children of school age, and have appealed for money for this purpose. This year, the hospitals of this city asked us to take 79 of their convalescent children. These little patients needed proper diet, fresh air and country life for from three weeks to three months. Our appeal this summer enabled us, from the middle of June to the middle of September, to place forty-four delicate children. Thirty-two have been discharged to their families. Twelve remain for extended treatment.

**Juvenile Court** We co-operate with the Juvenile Court in experimental work with boys and girls in community life; but we do not accept a delinquent boy over 14 years.

For instance, the Juvenile Court had a recurring case of an eleven-year-old Italian boy, brought before them for petty thefts. Dr. Healy, the Court Psychiatrist, and Judge Cabot recommended that this boy should be removed from the city and his poor home conditions to prevent his becoming a chronic delinquent. The boy came to us from his home of two rooms for a family of six and a boarder; the father, old, and an invalid; the mother, weak and overburdened. The boy did as he chose at home, and ran the streets. He was good looking, bright, poorly clothed and needed medical attention. He enjoyed lying. It was an experiment to place such a boy in a country home, but we have had him ten months with a wise and valued foster mother, and he only cares to return to the city for a brief visit. He is learning nature at first hand. He has learned to milk, and has the charge of "his cow." For this, he is paid fifty cents a week. The first pair of shoes he bought with this money literally put him on his feet in his self-esteem. He is not taking anything now from other people, because he has so much of his own. He takes pride in his bedroom, and keeps it in order. He is going to school and was greatly interested during the summer reading a book on Italy and the war. We feel we have in process a good little American citizen.

We also care for delinquent girls under twenty-one. Their experiences have been varied and destructive. They require medical follow-up, friendship and interesting employment.

**Graduates** The tendency of the time is for children to leave school and go to work at temporarily high wages. We are keeping our children in school and will carry 13 in high school through 1919. Our graduates in 1918 are a small but interesting group. One girl in our care for four years graduated from Normal School and is now doing government work. One boy in our care nine years, graduated from Wolfboro Academy, N. H., enlisted in June (before the ink dried on his diploma), and is now in France. One girl who was in our care 11 years graduated from the Institution for the Blind and is now self-supporting. One girl in our care 12 years, a graduate nurse, is now in Red Cross work in America. One girl, with us 2 years, graduated from grammar school, has been returned to her mother, who is now in a position to send her through high school.

**Army and Navy** We have, today, nineteen boys in the army and navy, and four girls in service; a nurse and a secretary overseas, and a nurse and a dietitian in the Home Service of the Red Cross. Each of these young people, all under twenty-six, were in our care from seven to thirteen years. Not one of our boys were ever brought before a Draft Board, but promptly enlisted. We have had no report of serious casualties.\*

We also have in foster home care twelve children of enlisted men.

**Foster Home** We share with all other societies the increasing problem of finding good foster homes for our children. This year we were obliged to advertise. Out of 306 applications received during the year about 200 were investigated, of which 14 per cent. were approved.

**Increase in Cost of Board** The cost of board for children is an increasing financial problem. In 1917, \$3.00 a week was the average cost of board for the normal, healthy child. In 1918, \$3.50 is the average. In 1917, we could find comfortable homes for babies for \$3.00 a week. In 1918, very few foster mothers would take a baby in their home under \$4.00 a week, and we are now paying for several very delicate babies \$5.00 a week and cost of food.

**Nursery School** The nursery school, which was opened last April in our old dining room, has been a success. The mothers of the neighborhood are taking an active interest in bringing their little ones. The school grows, and will be continued the year round.

\*Since this was written one boy (19) has died at the end of one year's training; one (22) has been seriously injured and gassed at Argonne.



In May, the room was used for two weeks by the State Child Welfare Committee, and 210 children were weighed and measured there.

**League for Preventative Work.** This society is doing its part in the League for Preventative Work to develop co-operative effort for the prevention of future and the elimination of present evil forces underlying the need of our work for children. Through the pooling of the experiences of social workers most intimately connected with family problems, we now have convincing evidence that unrelated effort spent upon the care of a feeble-minded child by a private society gives but temporary salvage, and not until a comprehensive State policy has been set in motion can this potent cause of much of our work be controlled.

Through our joint conference on alcoholism in 1917, we learned that a conservative estimate would make one-fourth of the total outlay of incorporated charities in Massachusetts chargeable to drink.

**Dietetic Bureau** We welcome the establishment of the Dietetic Bureau as a part of the League and as an aid in helping us solve the problem of proper feeding of children, especially in homes of limited means.

**Red Cross** Reciprocal service has been maintained with the Home Service Section of the Red Cross. Our thanks are due for the generous use of their Motor Corps. In one instance the life of a baby was saved by their promptness in answering a call. We, in turn, have placed the delicate children of soldier's wives, who could not be treated in their own homes, and temporarily removed children while mothers were under hospital care.

**Work in Massachusetts Towns** Sixty-five per cent. of our applications this year were for Boston children, but, according to our territorial division, we consider the needs of children in some 40 odd towns of Massachusetts. For instance, we have twenty-four Brockton children in our care at the present time.

Brockton, "The City of Workers and Winners," is an industrial center and has many social problems. The recent epidemic of influenza demonstrated to the Brockton Chamber of Commerce the great need of better charitable organization, for which plans are now under way. We shall still co-operate in the home finding end.

**Special Piece of Co-operative Work in Another Town** A special piece of co-operative work in another of our towns came to us through an eighteen-year-old girl who had escaped from an insane asylum. After returning her to that institution, we took up the family situation in their home town of about 8000 inhabi-

tants. Among other things, we found her four brothers were in great need of dentistry. Our visitor made a survey of the resources of that town and found in it all the factors needed for establishing a free dental clinic. First, there was a public-spirited dentist willing to give his services and to secure those of two others free. Secondly, there was already a District Nursing Association ready and willing to share their one room, although they had been in need of more room for some time. Lastly, there was a philanthropic financier, who only needed to have the situation properly presented to him, and he agreed to meet the finances required. This was started by our visitor in 1917, but through war demands the accomplishment of the work has been delayed. Now, the District Nursing Association of that town has an additional nurse, several well-equipped rooms, and in those rooms a free dental clinic is established, and one hundred children of the same school as our little family are now to reap the benefit of this interesting, co-operative effort.

As the year closes, we have passed through two months of the epidemic of influenza, which has created insistent demands upon every department of the work. And especially the death of so many mothers has increased the burden of finding and maintaining foster homes for these families of motherless children.

**The Outlook** As the Children's Friend, we must do our part in meeting their new problems. Our work is growing and shows vitality. **We need money.** But the test of progress is, in reality, in ourselves. We must see to it that we grow in our social outlook, and be prepared to give, in all justice, the truest kind of service to these children for whom we become responsible.

Fannie E. Barnes.



# REPORT OF THE TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1918

WILLIAM C. CHICK, *Treasurer*, in Account with  
BOSTON CHILDREN'S FRIEND SOCIETY

## RECEIPTS

|  |                              |                 |                    |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Board and Clothing                         |                              |                 | \$4,952.06         |
| Donations                                  | Special                      | \$2,149.40      |                    |
|  | Sub. and Donation            | <u>8,571.00</u> | 10,720.40          |
| Income from Invested Funds                 |                              |                 |                    |
|  | Dewing                       | 657.00          |                    |
|  | Shoemaker                    | \$1,586.08      |                    |
|  | General                      | <u>4,636.53</u> | 6,879.61           |
| Investments matured (Dewing Fund)          |                              |                 | 2,000.00           |
| Interest                                   | Richardson Estate acct.      |                 |                    |
|  | Legacy                       | 2,360.00        |                    |
|  | On Bank Balance              | <u>144.97</u>   | 2,504.97           |
| Legacies                                   | Final payment                |                 |                    |
|  | Dewing Estate                | 3,901.67        |                    |
|  | Hollingsworth Estate         | <u>16.15</u>    | 3,917.82           |
| Miscellaneous                              | Old Clothes sale (Mrs. Gray) | 1,000.00        |                    |
|  | Sale-Mrs. Gray and           |                 |                    |
|  | Mrs. Thayer                  | 642.00          |                    |
|  | Sundries                     | <u>151.44</u>   | 1,793.44           |
| Balance Gen. Sec'y's account Oct. 31, 1917 |                              |                 | 36.49              |
| Balance Treasurer's account Oct. 31, 1917  |                              |                 | 12,136.33          |
|  |                              |                 | <b>\$44,941.12</b> |

## EXPENDITURES

|  |                              |                 |                    |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Salaries                                   | Office                       | 1,960.33        |                    |
|  | Salaries                     | <u>6,534.78</u> | 8,495.11           |
| Board                                      |                              |                 | 11,774.24          |
| Clothing                                   |                              |                 | 3,219.85           |
| Travel                                     |                              |                 | 1,549.63           |
| Office                                     |                              |                 | 527.32             |
| Postage and Express                        |                              |                 | 498.48             |
| Doctors and Medicine                       |                              |                 | 358.01             |
| Printing                                   |                              |                 | 602.36             |
| Telephone                                  |                              |                 | 370.18             |
| Advertising                                |                              |                 | 128.93             |
| Insurance                                  |                              |                 | 45.00              |
| Repairs                                    |                              |                 | 96.74              |
| Investments                                | Shoemaker Fund               | 6,030.25        |                    |
|  | Dewing                       | 5,601.27        |                    |
|  | General                      | <u>188.00</u>   | 11,819.52          |
| Interest on Investments bought             |                              |                 |                    |
|  | Shoemaker Fund               | 66.11           |                    |
|  | Dewing                       | <u>41.39</u>    | 107.50             |
| Miscellaneous                              | League for Preventative work | 300.00          |                    |
|  | Associated Charities acct.   |                 |                    |
|  | Bureau of Registration       | 50.00           |                    |
|  | Sundries                     | <u>437.64</u>   | 787.64             |
| Balance Gen. Sec'y's account Oct. 31, 1918 |                              |                 | 42.54              |
| Balance Treasurer's account Oct. 31, 1918  |                              |                 | 4,518.07           |
|  |                              |                 | <b>\$44,941.12</b> |

Certified Correct March 4, 1919.

Charles F. Kellogg, *Auditor*.

# DEPARTMENT OF ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE, 1917-18

|                                      | Families | Children | Boys | Girls | Sex<br>Unknown |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|------|-------|----------------|
| Pending decision November 1, 1917 .. | 30       | 42       | 14   | 19    | 9              |
| New Applications .....               | 310      | 482      | 232  | 222   | 28             |
| Recurrent Applications .....         | 89       | 133      | 71   | 61    | 1              |
| Pending November 1, 1918 .....       | 26       | 44       | 23   | 18    | 3              |
|                                      | 455      | 701      | 340  | 320   | 41             |

## DISPOSITION OF APPLICATIONS

|   | Cases             | Children | Boys | Girls | Unknown |
|---|-------------------|----------|------|-------|---------|
| Pending November 1, 1917 .....              | 30                | 42       | 14   | 19    | 9       |
| Transferred to Placing-Out Dept. ....       | 66 $\frac{4}{5}$  | 88       | 45   | 43    |         |
| Otherwise Helped .....                      | 116 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 164      | 76   | 83    | 5       |
| Referred to other Agencies .....            | 162 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 288      | 152  | 123   | 13      |
| Public 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ 32    15    16    1 |                   |          |      |       |         |
| Private 141   256   137   107   12          |                   |          |      |       |         |
| Withdrawn .....                             | 53 $\frac{1}{5}$  | 75       | 30   | 34    | 11      |
| Pending November 1, 1918 .....              | 26                | 44       | 23   | 18    | 3       |
|   | 455               | 701      | 340  | 320   | 41      |

## THE PLACING-OUT DEPARTMENT

|  |     |     |     |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Under Supervision on November 1, 1917.   |     |     |     |     | 214 |
| In families, November 1, 1918  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Boarding .....   | 105 |     |     |     |     |
| Free of charge .....   | 10  |     |     |     |     |
| Earning wages .....  | 21  |     |     |     |     |
| Supervised in own homes .....  | 36  | 172 | 172 |     |     |
| Received during the year .....   |     |     |     |     | 86  |
| Total of children in charge at opening of year plus admissions .....                         |     |     |     |     | 300 |
| Transferred to other societies .....   | 1   |     |     |     |     |
| “ “ public charge .....  | 5   |     |     |     |     |
| Discharged to parents or relatives .....   | 87  |     |     |     |     |
| “ as of age .....  | 5   |     |     |     |     |
| “ to U. S. Army .....  | 1   |     |     |     |     |
| Adopted .....  | 1   |     |     |     |     |
| Married .....  | 1   |     |     |     |     |
| Died .....   | 2   |     |     |     |     |
| Discharged during the year .....   |     | 103 |     | 103 |     |
| The monthly average number cared for in families .....                                       | 190 |     |     |     |     |
| The number of different children at board during the year .....                              | 181 |     |     |     |     |
| The society was reimbursed in full for 20 “ “ “ “ part for 134 “ “ took free of charge ..... | 27  |     |     |     |     |
|  | 181 |     |     |     |     |
| Number under Supervision on November 1, 1918, in Department of Advice and Assistance .....   |     | 25  | 25  | 197 |     |
| Number under Active Supervision .....  |     | 300 | 197 | 300 |     |

## WHOLE WORK OF THE YEAR

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Department of Advice and Assistance: Children not taken into custody..... | 518        |
| Placing-Out Department.....   | 300        |
| Supervision in own homes in Department of Advice and Assistance.....      | 25         |
| <b>Total number of children whose lives we have touched .....</b>         | <b>843</b> |

# SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

From November 1, 1917, to November 1, 1918.

\* Given for Special Children.

|                                |         |                                 |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|
| Abbott, Walter C. ....         | \$ 1.00 | Beal, Mrs. James H. ....        | \$ 5.00 |
| Agassiz, Mrs. Geo. R. ....     | 20.00   | Beals, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. C. . . . | 20.00   |
| Alcaide, Mrs. A. S. ....       | 2.00    | Beebe, Mrs. Decius ....         | 12.00   |
| Alford, Miss Martha A. ....    | 70.00   | Beggs, Mrs. W. E. ....          | 3.00    |
| Allen, Miss M. Josephine ..    | 10.00   | Bemis, Miss Julia A. ....       | 5.00    |
| * American Red Cross, Met.     |         | Benedict, Mr. & Mrs. Francis    |         |
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The Boston Children's Friend Society follows the midland division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford road to Attleboro, including the Attleboros, and all the towns south as far as the Providence and Fall River Line to Fall River, following the Bay State Line, including Berkley and the Raynhams, North Middleboro to Plymouth, and return to Boston by the coast.

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# COMMUNITY PLAN OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE CHILD PLACING

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Massachusetts has a well worked-out plan for the interrelation of services on the part of public departments and private agencies providing for children who, for a variety of reasons, cannot be cared for by their own parents or other relatives. There are approximately 12,000 such children in this State, more than 10,000 being in foster-family homes.

The Division of Minor Wards of the State Board of Charity and the Trustees for Children of Boston provide foster home care for neglected and dependent children committed by the courts.

In addition to these two public departments there are a number of private children's organizations also serving the community. The general division of labor between public and private organizations is as follows: To the State or City are referred those children who represent long-continued financial expenditures as well as many children for whom there are less hopeful prognoses. The private societies can do the quick experimental work much more easily than is true of the public agencies. The private organizations have tended to set standards because they could more easily limit the amount of work assigned to each visitor.

These private societies through the Confidential Exchange prevent duplication in case work. Certain of them have assumed definite responsibility for children's work in designated districts in the State. The whole State is thus covered by this arrangement. In special cases each Society may, however, operate at will outside of its special district.

All of these organizations place children throughout the year in private families at board or free of charge. All but three work without an institution. Arranged alphabetically these Societies are: The Boston Children's Aid Society, particularly cares for infants, young mothers with infants, difficult children and juvenile delinquents. Office 43 Hawkins Street.

The Boston Children's Friend Society gives special attention in the summer to building up delicate children of school age, and throughout the year does a general child-caring work for children of all ages, with a limitation of delinquent boys up to fourteen years. Office 48 Rutland Street.

The Boston Society for the Care of Girls provides care for older girls in need, and also organizes leagues or clubs of girls and young women for their self-improvement and for community service. Office 184 Boylston Street.

The Catholic Charitable Bureau maintains a Bureau of Advice and Inquiry for children of the Roman Catholic faith. It also provides for such children in institutions and foster-family homes. Office 43 Tremont Street.

The Children's Bureau of the Jewish Federated Charities gives advice and assistance to Jewish children and provides for certain of them in institutions and foster-family homes. Office 262 Washington Street.

The Children's Mission to Children in addition to doing a general child-caring work specializes with improvable crippled or delicate children. Office 279 Tremont Street.

The Church Home Society interests itself in children from Episcopal families in any part of the State, and places them in families of their own denomination. Office 296 Boylston Street.

The New England Home for Little Wanderers, by arrangement with the other Boston organizations, takes for placement children from communities over New England as well as the Metropolitan area. It maintains an institution for the special study and treatment of children presenting difficult problems in mental and physical development. Office 161 South Huntington Avenue.



